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Report from Hongkong—Quarantine restrictions—Plague and small-pox—Examination of emigrants—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Hough reports, March 15:

Week ended March 6. Restrictions enforced by Hongkong remain as reported January 30.

Restrictions enforced against Hongkong remain as reported January 30.

Quarantinable disease: Plague, 3 cases, 2 deaths; smallpox, 3 cases, 1 death.

Aliens examined for Honolulu and Pacific coast ports: Examined, 294; rejected, 70.

Aliens examined for Philippine Islands: Examined, 3; rejected, 3.

Vessels inspected and granted bills of health, 9.

Report from Shanghai—Inspection of vessels—Plague-infected rats—Measures against infection of vessels by rats.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Ransom reports, March 16:

Week ended March 13. Supplemental bills of health granted to 2 steamships, with an aggregate personnel of 411. There were inspected 1 vessel, 57 members of crew, and 5 steerage passengers. There were also inspected 20 pieces of freight; 12 pieces (human hair) were disinfected with formalin. Manifests were viséed for 6,336 pieces of freight. Three emigrants for the United States per steamship *Chiyo Maru* were examined and passed; 2 were for San Francisco and 1 was for Honolulu. Seven pieces of baggage were inspected and passed and 2 pieces were disinfected.

The steamship *Ghazee* remained in this port 4 days, anchored in the stream. She was loaded from lighters during the entire 24 hours, rat guards being used on all lines.

The steamship *Chiyo Maru* remained in this port 56 hours, anchored at Woosung. She was loaded from lighters during daylight only. Inspection was held on the tender for the vessel at the hour of her sailing.

Infected rats continue to be found in practically all sections, particularly in the eastern district.

The precautions adopted by this office to prevent infection of vessels bound to American ports are being insisted upon, and to this end all vessels taking bills of health for American ports are required to remain in the stream while here and to use all possible measures to prevent rats gaining access to them.

Reports from Hankau show no cases or deaths from quarantinable disease reported during the week ended March 6.

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Report from Habana—Inspection of vessels—Work of the mosquito brigade.

Passed Assistant Surgeon Amessee reports, April 19:

Week ended April 17.

Bills of health issued.....	21
Vessels inspected.....	16
Members of crews of outgoing vessels inspected.....	1, 126
Passengers of outgoing vessels inspected.....	1, 135